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1. SUMMARY - CHINA TIMES CARRIED WASHINGTON INTERVIEWS WITH SENATOR PERCY AND CONGRESSMAN SLACK QUOTING THEM BELIEVING U.S.-PRC NORMALIZATION EFFORTS WILL NOT BE QUICKENED AND U.S.-ROC RELATIONS WILL BE MAINTAINED UNDER PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES. END SUMMARY.

2. INFLUENTIAL CHINA TIMES (350,000) OCTOBER 4 CARRIED WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT JACK CHOW'S INTERVIEWS WITH SENATOR CHARLES PERCY AND CONGRESSMAN JOHN SLACK; BOTH VISITED MAINLAND IN AUGUST. PERCY AND SLACK QUOTED BELIEVING U.S. NORMALIZATION EFFORTS WILL NOT BE QUICKENED AND GOOD U.S.-ROC RELATIONS WILL BE MAINTAINED UNDER PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES.

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3. PERCY QUOTED SAYING U.S. MUST MAINTAIN CLOSE ROC

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RELATIONS. U.S. SHOULD PARTICULARLY REMAIN FAITHFUL TO ROC TREATY OBLIGATIONS ALTHOUGH IT DEFINITE U.S. WANTS NORMALIZE PRC RELATIONS. PERCY REPORTEDLY SAW NOTHING IN CHINA THAT WOULD LEAD U.S. TO RECOGNIZE PRC DURING FORTHCOMING FORD VISIT. PEKING NOT ANXIOUS FOR U.S. RECOGNITION BEFORE SETTLEMENT TAIWAN ISSUE.

4. SLACK REPORTEDLY SAID BOTH WASHINGTON AND PEKING RECOGNIZE TAIWAN ISSUE AS INTERNAL CHINESE PROBLEM. THEREFORE, U.S. SHOULD NOT INTERVENE UNTIL CHINESE REACH PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT; TIME WILL SEE TO IT IF THE NOTION IS PRACTICAL. SLACK REPORTEDLY SAID CHINESE COMMUNISTS HAVE NOT PRESSURED U.S. OVER TAIWAN ISSUE. HOWEVER, BECAUSE OF PACIFIC SECURITY AND WORLD PEACE, U.S.-PRC NORMALIZATION IMPORTANT. BUT U.S. SHOULDN'T ABANDON ANY TREATY OBLIGATIONS TO ROC, TURKEY OR OTHERWISE.
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